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PRIVATE PARTICIPATION IN R & D
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry spends less than 2% of its budget on Research and Development;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether his Ministry is also seeking private participation in Research and Development; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): No, Sir.

(c) & (d): Participation of Industry in Defence Research & Development is considered necessary to pool national resources for enhancing self-reliance in Defence and to upgrade the Industry base in the country.